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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Kanji UCHINO et al.

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Examiner: C. Paula

For: FORUM/MESSAGE BOARD RELEVANT DOCUMENT DISPLAY APPARATUS
AND METHOD (As amended)

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This supplements the Amendment filed May 4, 2000 in response to the Office Action mailed February 2, 2000. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND the claims as follows:

1. (TWICE AMENDED) A relevant document display apparatus for displaying a group of documents containing cross-referenced message documents contributed to at least one of a forum and a message board established through a computer network, comprising:

a document group analysis device to classify a plurality of documents forming a set of documents into at least one group of cross-referenced documents by analyzing at least one cross-reference between the documents in the set, and [for extracting] to extract information about classification as document group information;

a document group keyword extraction device to extract a keyword contained in a document forming part of each group of documents by referring to the document group

information; and

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